CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A system consisting of 3 critical language and literacy elements embodied in a plurality of 12 Graphophonic Blocks so that each has a face bears 1) a Phoneme Cue Image that represents a phoneme to be encoded surrounded by 2) a plurality of alternate spellings on same said face corresponding to that phoneme to be encoded so that pre-designed, accessible, and independent writing activity that can be custombuilt and directed by a 3) Decimal Reference Number also on said face of Graphophonic Block altogether enabling, semantically rich, and grammatically correct encoding activity which will result in advancing comprehensive and correct reading and writing ability.

2. A block comprising:

a multi-sided object representing a general sound, each side of the object including an alternate spelling representing a particular sound at least similar to the general sound;

a graphical cue representing the particular sound of the alternate spelling; and selective indicia to assist with the selection of the alternate spelling that correctly solves a problem.

3. The block of claim 2, wherein the general sound and the particular sound are identical.

4. A method comprising:

providing multi-sided blocks, each block relating to a particular sound, each side of each block having a text portion, a graphical cue and selective indicia;

providing a problem containing sound information;

identifying particular selective indicia;

selecting a block by comparing the sound information with the graphical cues; and

selecting a side of the selected block by comparing the particular selective indicia to the indicia on each side of the block.